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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-10 (Canceled):

Claim 11 (Currently amended): A foldable head restraint comprising:

a first head restraint support having a first elongate portion for receiving a bun thereon and a second curved arcuate portion, said first elongate portion and said second curved arcuate portion together being generally J-shaped;

a bracket; and

a latch mechanism,

the latch mechanism including a rotatable cam that can be selectively rotated independently of the first head restraint support between a latched position in which a latch extending from the second curved arcuate portion of the first head restraint support is engaged by an end surface of the rotational cam and thereby locked against pivotal movement and an unlatched position in which the second portion of the first head restraint support latch can pivot immediately over the cam.

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Claim 12 (Currently amended): The foldable head restraint of claim 11, wherein the ~~second portion of the first head restraint support~~ latch that is locked in position by the rotatable cam of the latch mechanism is integrally formed with the first head restraint support.

Claim 13 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 12, further comprising a second head restraint support.

Claim 14 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 13, further comprising a rotational bar extending through the first head restraint support and the second head restraint support, and the bracket such that the first head restraint support and the second head restraint support are rotatable about the rotational bar.

Claim 15 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 14, further comprising a stabilizer bar, the stabilizer bar attached to the first head restraint support and the second head restraint support.

Claim 16 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 15, further comprising a first stop pin, the first stop pin being attached to the bracket.

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Claim 17 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 16, wherein the second portion of the first head restraint support that is locked in position by the cam has a first latch surface, and the first latch surface is engageable with the stop pin to prohibit motion of the first head restraint support in a first direction.

Claim 18 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 17, wherein the latch mechanism has a second latch surface provided on the second portion of the first head restraint support that is locked in position by the cam that engages with the cam to prohibit rotation of the first head restraint support in a second direction.

Claim 19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 18, further comprising a torsion spring that biases the cam in the first direction.

Claim 21 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 20, wherein the cam includes a cable pin that receives an end of a cable wire.

Claim 22 (Currently amended): The Δ foldable head restraint of claim 21, which comprises

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a first head restraint support having a first elongate portion for receiving a bun thereon;

a bracket;

a latch mechanism;

a torsion spring that biases the cam in the first direction; and

wherein a first end of the torsion spring is attached to the cable pin to which a first end of the torsion spring is attached.

the latch mechanism including a rotatable cam that can be selectively rotated independently of the first head restraint support between a latched position in which a second portion of the first head restraint support is engaged by an end surface of the rotational cam and thereby locked against pivotal movement and an unlatched position in which the second portion of the first head restraint support can pivot immediately over the cam.

Claim 23 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 22, wherein the torsion spring has a second end that is attached to the bracket.

Claim 24 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 23, wherein the cam is installed on a cam pivot pin and the torsion spring is mounted on the cam pivot pin.

Claim 25 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 24, wherein the cable pin is located at the first end of the cam and the cam pivot pin is located at the second end of the cam.

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Claim 26 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 25, further comprising a second stop, the second stop attached to the bracket.

Claim 27 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 26, wherein the second head restraint support has a structure that engages with the second stop to prohibit motion of the second head support in a first direction.

Claim 28 (Previously presented): The foldable head restraint of claim 27, wherein the bracket has a first side and a second side with the first stop located on the first side and the second stop located on the second side.

Claim 29 (Currently amended): The A foldable head restraint which comprises:

first and second head restraint supports having first elongate portions for receiving a bun
thereon;

a bracket; and

a latch mechanism;

the latch mechanism including a rotatable cam that can be selectively rotated independently of
the first head restraint support between a latched position in which a second portion of the first head
restraint support is engaged by an end surface of the rotational cam and thereby locked against pivotal

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movement and an unlatched position in which the second portion of the first head restraint support can pivot immediately over the cam.

wherein the second portion of the first head restraint support that is locked in position by the rotatable cam of the latch mechanism is integrally formed with the first head restraint support, and of claim 13, wherein each of the first and second head restraint supports comprises a metal substrate that is contained within an over-molded geometry.

Claim 30 (Currently amended): The A foldable head restraint which comprises:

first and second head restraint supports having first elongate portions for receiving a human thereon;

a bracket; and

a latch mechanism.

the latch mechanism including a rotatable cam that can be selectively rotated independently of the first head restraint support between a latched position in which a second portion of the first head restraint support is engaged by an end surface of the rotational cam and thereby locked against pivotal movement and an unlatched position in which the second portion of the first head restraint support can pivot immediately over the cam.

wherein the second portion of the first head restraint support that is locked in position by the rotatable cam of the latch mechanism is integrally formed with the first head restraint support, and

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of ~~claim 29~~, wherein the ~~over-molded geometries are each of the first and second head restraint supports comprises a metal substrate that is contained within a generally cylindrically shaped over-~~
~~molded geometry.~~

Claims 31 and 32 (Canceled)

Claim 33 (New): The foldable head restraint of claim 11, wherein the first head restraint support includes a pivot hole having a center about which the first head restraint support pivots, said pivot hole provided near a free end of the curved arcuate portion.